

REMARKS

Claims 14 and 15 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-16 remain in the application. Reconsideration and reexamination is respectfully requested.

In the final office action dated 01/24/2005, claims 14 and 15 were rejected as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, the issue being whether it is the photosensor assembly or the plurality of photosensors that is modified. Applicant submits that the phrase "that have been modified" with the plural verb "have" indicates that a plurality have been modified, not the single assembly. To further clarify, a colon has been added after comprising. With the amended punctuation, and plural verb "have", applicant submits that is clear that the plurality of photosensors have been modified.

In the final office action dated 01/24/2005, claims 14 and 15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent Number 6,034,406 (Kobayashi *et al.*) in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,710,364 (Guidi *et al.*). Applicant respectfully traverses. Kobayshi *et al.* and Guidi *et al.*, individually or combined, do not teach or suggest photosensors that have been modified such that photosensor assembly source identification information is encoded in the modifications, or photosensors that have been modified such that photosensor assembly type identification information is encoded in the modifications.

Kobayshi *et al.* discloses shielding some photosensors, but does not encode source identification or type identification in the shielding. Guidi *et al.* does not deal with photosensors. Accordingly, a combination of Kobayshi *et al.* and Guidi *et al.* do not teach or suggest encoding information in modification of photosensors.

Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. This application is considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

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